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- 1. A very large steel framed hall with wooden and brick walls 1 was constructed between the Stocznie Gdanskie (Gdansk Shipyards) and Stocznia Polnocna (Northern Shipyard) at the end of 1952. Four new branch railroad tracks lead into the hall and a large mobile crane was observed lifting machines that were being installed in the hall. Informant has heard that steel ribs for ships will be constructed in the hall.
- 2. The hall is about 250 to 300 meters in length, 30 meters wide, and is at least three or four stories high. Many windows have been placed in the roof and walls of the hall. The windows along the walls are located relatively high above the ground level.
- 3. The Stocknie Gdanskie shippard is constructing many fishing trawlers of about 600 to 800 tons each. According to informant, these trawlers could be used by the navy to transport guns and tanks because their decks are extremely strong.

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